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Applicant: Koster et al.

Serial No.: 09/067,337

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For: *SOLUTION PHASE BIOPOLYMER
SYNTHESIS*

Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: Wilson, J.



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
BOX CPA
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Request under 37 CFR 1.53(d) to file a Continued Prosecution Application of the above-referenced application in response to the Office Action, mailed September 12, 2000.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice or disclaimer.

✓ Please amend claims 5, 8, 27, 29-32, 43-45 and 49 as follows (a marked up copy of the amended claims is attached to this Preliminary Amendment):

5. (Amended) A liquid phase carrier (LPC) that has formulae (I):

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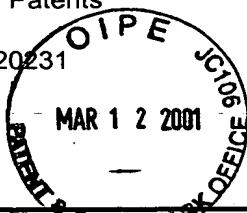
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This is a request for a ☒ continuing or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/067,337 filed on April 27, 1998, entitled SOLUTION PHASE BIOPOLYMER SYNTHESIS

- ☐ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- ☒ A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
- ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
- ☐ A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
- Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - ☐ PTO-1449
 - ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	45-20 =	25	x\$18.00 =	\$450.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	7-3 =	4	x\$80.00 =	\$320.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16 (d))			+\$__ =	\$0.00
				BASIC FEE	\$710.00
				Total of above Calculations =	\$1480.00
	Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				\$740.00
				TOTAL =	\$740.00

- Small entity status:
 - ☒ Is claimed.
 - ☐ Is not claimed.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.
 - ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
 - ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.17.
 - ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR 1.18.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1185.00, including the above fees and \$445.00 for a three month extension of time (37 CFR §1.17(a)(3)), is enclosed.
- ☒ Other: Return Receipt Postcard.

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